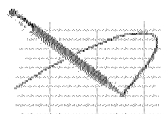


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I took a look in my free time today. I think you should speak with Gary about how a scientist would write such a letter. Also, we should think about it from the point of view of the editor and come up with compelling reasons why not retracting this would cause him pain. The part about the Clinical Services article is very good. Some of the other parts sounds like "sour grapes" from our side. Most certainly, Reed et al would tell the editor everything is true.



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